

Amendment No. 1 to SB2409

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Signature of Sponsor

**AMEND Senate Bill No. 2409**

**House Bill No. 2156\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-603(c), is amended by deleting the first sentence and substituting:

The commissioner may appoint a county health officer responsible for providing medical direction, including medical enforcement actions.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-609, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

Except as provided in title 14 and § 68-2-611, rules as are necessary or appropriate to protect the general health and safety of the county.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-611(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(1) For the purposes of effectively mitigating the impact of a pandemic, upon declaration of a pandemic by the world health organization and a subsequent declaration of a state of emergency by the governor indicating that the pandemic impacts this state, and until the pandemic ceases to exist, the governor has exclusive jurisdiction to issue executive orders and directives related to the pandemic with respect to each county health department in this state, including a county health department created by private or public act prior to July 1, 1985, or by action of a county legislative body; and

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.